



## RESOLUTION

### AMENDING THE COUNCIL'S AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT TASK FORCE.

WHEREAS, on November 10, 2004, the council created an agricultural development task force to "examine and undertake the actions necessary to enhance the viability of the agricultural industry on Oahu" through the adoption of Resolution 04-288, CD1; and

WHEREAS, the agricultural development task force held its initial meeting on January 10, 2005, and has continued to meet on a variety of agriculture related issues; and

WHEREAS, the council found that the agricultural development task force meetings were productive and, by Resolution 05-407, extended the work of the task force for one year, and by Resolution 07-052, extended the work of the task force until terminated by the council; and

WHEREAS, since the initial meeting of the task force in 2005, specific issues relating to Oahu's agricultural industry have been clarified and brought into focus, and therefore, further defining the work of the task force is warranted; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that the agricultural development task force established by Resolution 04-288, CD1, shall have as its priority focus the following issues:

- (1) Reviewing the land use ordinance (LUO) regarding zoning for agricultural areas and the changes needed to address agricultural districts and agricultural and country clusters;
- (2) Reviewing the subdivision rules and regulations regarding agricultural subdivisions;
- (3) Addressing gentleman farming from a land use perspective by restricting such use in agricultural areas;
- (4) Reviewing the LUO's definition of "agriculture," "active agricultural use," "agribusiness activities," "agricultural products," "agricultural products processing," and "farm dwelling";
- (5) Reevaluating requirements for roads and utilities within agriculturally zoned areas;



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- (6) Examining the real property tax rate for agricultural land; and
- (7) Developing incentives to benefit and enhance the agricultural industry, including county incentives for preserving Important Agricultural Lands pursuant to Act 183, Session Laws of Hawaii 2005;

and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the agricultural development task force shall submit its first report of findings and recommendations regarding the above priority issues to the council no later than four months from the date of adoption of this Resolution; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the chair of the agricultural development task force.

INTRODUCED BY:

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